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MEDICAL FACILITIES IN RAILWAYS .
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether adequate medical facilities are not available to the passengers in the Railways in case of emergency, particularly at the time of railway accidents;

(b) If so, the reaction of the Railways thereto;

(c) Whether adequate trained personnel and doctors are not available and obsolete medical equipment are being used for providing medical facilities in the Railways;

(d) If so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) The measures taken by the Railways to provide adequate medical facilities to the passengers, imparting training to the employees and to provide modern equipment to them?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) The Railway hospitals are constantly upgraded to provide proper medical treatment to the passengers. Doctors and para medical staff are regularly trained. Modern equipments are constantly installed in Railway Hospitals.

At present all victims of Railway accidents and other untoward incidences are shifted to nearest Railway Hospitals, other Government Hospitals and Private Hospitals. All the expenditure done in these hospitals are borne by Railway administration. To facilitate this, one data Bank of all hospitals close to main Railway tracks has been prepared and made available at various levels. By this method we are able to provide prompt medical treatment to Railway accident victims at the earliest.